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This is a request for filing a X CONTINUATION
 DIVISIONAL CONTINUATION IN PART application under X 37
C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 09/166,649
filed on October 5, 1998 of

Ann Marie Schmidt and David Stern inventor(s)

for Method for Determining Whether a Compound is Capable of
Inhibiting the Interaction of a Peptide with RAGE

Title of Invention

1. X Enclosed is a copy of the prior application.
2. X A verified statement to establish small entity status under
37 C.F.R. § 1.27
 is enclosed.
 X was filed in the prior application and such status is
still proper and desired.
3. X The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Multiple Dependent Claims Presented <u> </u> Yes <u> X </u> No					\$145	\$290	\$ 0	\$ 0
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8. ___ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line
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application Serial No. _____, filed _____, which is a
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9. X 9 Sheet(s) of ___ informal X formal drawing(s) is/are
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10. ___ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this
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this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application
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on _____ in _____ is claimed under 37 C.F.R.
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- ___ The certified copy of the priority application has been
filed in prior application Serial No. _____, filed
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12. X The prior application is assigned of record to
The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New
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13. X A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
14. X The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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- (b) X Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
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15. X Also enclosed: Express mail Certificate of Mailing No. EV096597287US dated February 20, 2004.
16. X I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application serial No. 09/166,649 as originally filed on October 5, 1998.

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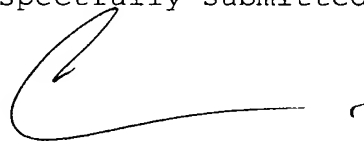
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